

In the Specification:

Please insert on Page 1, after the Title and before the Background of the Invention, the following new paragraph:

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This application is a continuation of, and claims priority in, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/390,961, ~~and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,719,159~~ filed March 18, 2003, which was a continuation of, and claimed priority in, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/665,779, filed September 20, 2000 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,627,135, which was a division of, and claimed priority in, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/175,086, filed October 19, 1998 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,142,325, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Please amend the third paragraph beginning on page 9 and ending on page 10 as follows:

Fig. 6 shows a bottom portion of an alternative embodiment of a container assembly 10' of the present invention cap, generally represented by the reference number 10'. Structure or elements that are similar to or the same as those shown in Figs 1 through 5 and 7 through 9 are identified by the same reference number with a prime. More particularly, Fig. 6 shows alternative bottom cap 50' (also shown in Fig. 10) secured to, closing and hermetically sealing the open bottom end 24' of container body 22'. Figs. 6 and 10 show that the junction of bottom wall 52' and side wall 56' is curved, and the portion of annular strip or layer 60' above bottom wall 52' is wider and thinner than layer 60 of bottom cap 50 (Figs. 4, 5 and 8). Figs. 6 and 10 also show that sealing surface 28' of neck 26' of bottom end 24' is wider than sealing